



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 150***

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Referred to Committee on Energy and Technology

Introduced by:  
(ET)

***AN ACT CONCERNING GAS PIPELINE SAFETY.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. Section 16-280d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2       following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2004*):

3       The Department of Public Utility Control shall require any person  
4       that owns any pipeline facilities or that engages in the transportation  
5       of gas or maintains pipeline facilities within the state to maintain such  
6       records, make such reports and provide such inspections as are  
7       required by the federal act or by any regulation adopted by the  
8       department pursuant to subsection (b) or (c) of section 16-280b. If the  
9       department investigates an accident involving such a pipeline facility,  
10      the operator of the facility shall make available to the department all  
11      records and information that pertain to the accident, including, but not  
12      limited to, integrity management plans or test results, and shall afford  
13      all reasonable assistance to the department in the investigation of the  
14      accident. The department may require the filing of such information as  
15      is necessary to determine compliance with applicable standards and  
16      regulations.

17       Sec. 2. Section 16-280e of the general statutes is repealed and the  
18       following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2004*):

19       (a) Any person that violates any provision of the federal act, any  
20       regulation issued under the federal act, any provision of this chapter or  
21       any regulation adopted by the department pursuant to subsection (b)  
22       or (c) of section 16-280b, shall be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed  
23       [twenty-five thousand dollars for each such violation for each day that  
24       such violation persists, except that the maximum civil penalty under  
25       section 16-17 or 16-271 or this section shall not exceed five hundred  
26       thousand dollars for any related series of violations] the maximum  
27       civil penalty provided under 49 USC 60122(a), as amended.

28       (b) Any such civil penalty may be compromised by the Department  
29       of Public Utility Control. In determining the amount of such penalty,  
30       or the amount agreed upon in compromise, the department shall  
31       consider the criteria set forth in 49 USC 60122(b), as amended.

32       (c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit the penalties  
33       available under section 16-33.

34       Sec. 3. (*Effective October 1, 2004*) Section 16-280g of the general  
35       statutes is repealed.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2004</i>
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2004</i>
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2004</i>

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***Joint Favorable C/R***

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